



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LODI BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSED BECI 765-kV TRANSMISSION LINE ROUTES THROUGH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LODI

WHEREAS, the School District of Lodi has been made aware of proposed routes for the BECI 765-kV transmission project that may pass through or near property within the School District of Lodi, including the Lodi School Forest; and

WHEREAS, the Lodi School Forest has served students and the community for approximately 90 years and continues to provide valuable opportunities for environmental education, conservation, forestry, agriculture, and outdoor learning; and

WHEREAS, the proposed transmission project may have significant impacts on District property, surrounding landowners, agricultural land, natural resources, the rural character of the community, and other properties throughout the School District of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education believes that decisions regarding a project of this size and scope should be supported by clear information regarding the routes considered, the criteria used to evaluate those routes, the potential impacts of each alternative, and the associated costs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has particular interest in understanding why proposed routes through undeveloped, agricultural, wooded, or environmentally sensitive areas are being considered rather than routes that may make greater use of existing utility, transportation, or other established infrastructure corridors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School District of Lodi Board of Education respectfully requests that Midcontinent Grid Solutions and other entities involved in the planning, review, or approval of the BECI 765-kV transmission project provide the District with additional information regarding:

1. The rationale for the routes currently being considered, including the factors and criteria used to identify and evaluate potential corridors through the School District of Lodi;

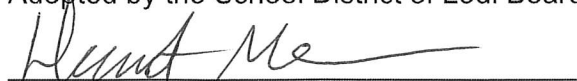
2. The alternatives that were considered, including routes utilizing existing transmission lines, utility corridors, highways, transportation corridors, or other established infrastructure;
3. An explanation of why existing utility and infrastructure corridors were not selected or prioritized, when applicable, and the factors that led to other routes being advanced for consideration;
4. The decision-making process used to compare potential routes, including environmental, agricultural, educational, community, engineering, reliability, land-use, and other considerations;
5. Available cost information for the different route alternatives, including whether cost differences played a significant role in determining which routes were advanced for further consideration; and
6. Information regarding any future modifications to the proposed routes or project design that could affect District property, District students and programming, surrounding landowners, or communities within the School District of Lodi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board requests continued, timely, and meaningful communication with the School District of Lodi throughout the planning and regulatory review process, including notification of significant route changes, new alternatives, public meetings, regulatory filings, or other developments that may affect the District or the communities it serves.

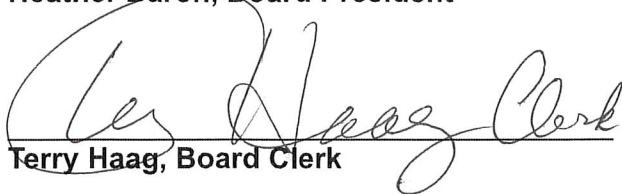
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board encourages project representatives and regulatory agencies to fully evaluate alternatives that minimize impacts on schools, educational resources, agricultural land, environmentally sensitive areas, private property, and the rural character of the communities within the School District of Lodi.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the School District of Lodi Board of Education believes greater transparency regarding the route-selection process and the alternatives considered is necessary for the District, affected landowners, and the broader community to fully understand the proposed project and participate meaningfully in the public review process.

Adopted by the School District of Lodi Board of Education on 9/14, 2026.



Heather Baron, Board President



Terry Haag, Board Clerk